

CLASSIFICATION ~~SECRET/CONTROL/US OFFICIALS ONLY~~COUNTRY Germany (Soviet Zone)

REPORT

TOPIC Military Information from Perleberg

EVALUATION

PLACE OBTAINED

DATE OF CONTENT

50X1

DATE OBTAINED

DATE PREPARED 30 March 1951

50X1-HUM

REFERENCES

PAGES 2 ENCLOSURES (NO. & TYPE)

REMARKS

DO NOT CIRCULATE

50X1-HUM

1. A resident of Perleberg (H 54/T 70) said that motor convoys, coming from the direction of Pritzwalk, Wittenberge, and from Perleberg itself, passed through Perleberg between 6 and 8 March 1951. The convoys moved to the area west of Perleberg and, according to local Germans, stayed in the woods in the Lonzen-Karstedt area. The convoys contained a total of about 300 motor vehicles, primarily trucks, and 50 to 70 sidecar motorcycles. The trucks were occupied on an average by only three soldiers each. They towed a total of about 50 AT guns and 50 mortars and, some of them, had mounted AA machine guns. Intensive motor vehicle traffic was observed in the streets of Perleberg on 12 March. A high-echelon headquarters seemed to be located at the Perleberg airfield. Several generals were seen there, one was riding in a Horch sedan [redacted] another [redacted] 50X1-HUM general in sedan [redacted] a third general and two field-grade officers in Horch sedan [redacted] several field officers wearing infantry insignia and red-bordered black epaulets rode in sedan [redacted] 50X1-HUM and other field officers and a high-ranking air force officer in a [redacted] 50X1-HUM staff car [redacted] Motor vehicles observed in the streets of Perleberg on 12 March included sedan [redacted] 50X1-HUM occupied by a colonel [redacted]

2. The troops in the quarters at the Perleberg airfield were alerted during the night of 8 March. Intensive traffic of Soviet troops was observed in the streets of Perleberg during that night and the night of 9 March. Troops were seen leaving the post on the roads toward Berlin and Hamburg. It was rumored that the units from the Perleberg airfield had left for maneuvers. The units in the Artillerie Kasernen did not seem to have been affected by the movements. They were still

CLASSIFICATION ~~SECRET/CONTROL/US OFFICIALS ONLY~~

CONFIDENTIAL

Document No. 9No Change in Class. ☐☐ Declassified

Class. Changed For: TS S C

Auth.: HR 75-2

Date: 14 AUG 1978

50X1-HUM

~~SECRET/CONTROL/US OFFICIALS ONLY~~
CONFIDENTIAL
2



50X1

engaged in routine training on 10 March. [REDACTED]

50X1-HUM

* [REDACTED] Comment.

It is [REDACTED] conceivable that a command post exercise was held in the Perleberg area during the first half of March 1951. [REDACTED]

50X1-HUM

~~SECRET/CONTROL/US OFFICIALS ONLY~~
CONFIDENTIAL